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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

## OFFICE ACTION

### *Reply to Prior Office Action is Non-Responsive*

1. The reply filed on September 6, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action, mailed July 15, 2005, because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the submission fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(1), which requires a separate list of all patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office. It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not yet been considered. See 37 CFR 1.111.
2. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a time period of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction, in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

### *Conclusion*

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication, or earlier communications, should be directed to the examiner, **Jerry O'Connor**, whose telephone number is **(571) 272-6787**, and whose facsimile number is **(571) 273-6787**.

The examiner can normally be reached weekdays from 9:30 to 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Alexander Kalinowski, can be reached at (571) 272-6771.

Official replies to this Office action may be submitted by any *one* of fax, mail, or hand delivery. **Faxed replies are preferred and should be directed to (571) 273-8300.** Mailed replies should be addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450." Hand delivered replies should be delivered to the "Customer Service Window, Randolph Building, 401 Dulany Street, Alexandria, VA 22314."

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